Ethical Questions In Software Engineering

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“Software is eating the world”

Marc Andreessen

Liberal Arts Participation Declines

U.S.News & WORLD REPORT

Allie Bidwell for USN&WR; Source: Institute of International Education

MORAL MACHINE

What should the self-driving car do?

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HARVARD LAW REVIEW

CRIMINAL LAW

State v. Loomis

Wisconsin Supreme Court Requires Warning Before Use of Algorithmic Risk Assessments in Sentencing.

Recent Case : 881 N.W.2d 749 (Wis. 2016)

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Israel Arrests Palestinian Because Facebook Translated 'Good Morning' to 'Attack Them'

No Arabic-speaking police officer read the post before arresting the man, who works at a construction site in a West Bank settlement

Yotam Berger | Send me email alerts

Captions by Norman AI

Captions by Standard AI

INKBLOT #1
Norman sees:

"A man is electrocuted and catches to death."

INKBLOT #1
Standard AI sees:

"A group of birds sitting on top of a tree branch."

INKBLOT #2
Norman sees:

"A man is shot dead."

INKBLOT #2
Standard AI sees:

"A close up of a vase with flowers."

Jacky.
@jackyalcine

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Google Photos, y'all fucked up. My friend's not a gorilla.

4:22 AM - 29 Jun 2015

3,315 Retweets **2,290** Likes

237 3.3K 2.3K

Yonatan Zunger 🔥 @yonatanzunger · 29 Jun 2015
@jackyalcine Handing it to the team. Seriously, big thanks for helping us fix this: it makes a real difference.
2 27

Yonatan Zunger 🔥 @yonatanzunger · 29 Jun 2015
@jackyalcine Quick update: we shouldn't be making piles with that label anymore, and searches are mostly fixed, but they can still turn up..
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Yonatan Zunger 🔥 @yonatanzunger · 29 Jun 2015
@jackyalcine ..photos where we failed to recognize that there was a face there at all. We're working on that issue now.
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Jacky. @jackyalcine · 29 Jun 2015
@yonatanzunger That was one thing I was curious (with obscuring hands over the face and what not).
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Yonatan Zunger 🔥 @yonatanzunger · 29 Jun 2015
@jackyalcine Yup. Really interesting problems in image recognition here: obscured faces, different contrast processing needed for different
1 5 11

Yonatan Zunger 🔥 @yonatanzunger · 29 Jun 2015
@jackyalcine skin tones and lighting, etc. We used to have a problem with people (of all races) being tagged as dogs, for similar reasons.
6 9 27

Simon @_Sim_On · 3 Jul 2015
@yonatanzunger in my collection, some kids are still tagged as dogs,I never gave it a second thought.I never expected it 2 b 100% accurate.
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Artificial Intelligence at Google

Our Principles

1. Be socially beneficial.

2. Avoid creating or reinforcing unfair bias.

3. Be built and tested for safety.

4. Be accountable to people.

5. Incorporate privacy design principles.

6. Uphold high standards of scientific excellence.

7. Be made available for uses that accord with these principles.

What caused the chemical calamity in Khan Sheikhoun on April 4, 2017?

+ Propose a new hypothesis

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Overview

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Hypotheses	Calculated Conclusions
1 Opposition forces carried out a chemical attack.[1]	83% (Somewhat likely)
2 The Syrian Army carried out a chemical attack.[2]	16% (Somewhat unlikely)
3 A Syrian Army conventional bombing unintentionally released opposition chemical agents. [3]	1.1% (Highly unlikely)

Rootclaim outperforms human reasoning by correcting for the biases and flaws of human intuition. The platform integrates all available evidence, assesses it for credibility and uses probabilistic models to reach conclusions about the likelihood of competing hypotheses. Its conclusions represent the best available understanding of the complexity and uncertainty in our world

'Relax' said the night man,
'We are programmed to receive.
You can check out any time you like,
but you can never leave!'

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Facebook Releases New Research into How People Respond After a Break-Up

Making travel plans soothes the newly single

* Average across the 5 markets
** Compared to the average number of travel-related purchases per person in the 60 days before the break-up announcement on Facebook
Facebook IQ Source: Facebook data, FR, NL, PL, UK, UAE, Jan 1–Dec 31, 2015. Analysis of conversion pixel data for ads that were shown to people ages 18+ on Facebook who had reported a "Single" status after a non-single status via a Life Event in 2015.

Netflix US @netflix · 11 Dec 2017

To the 53 people who've watched A Christmas Prince every day for the past 18 days: Who hurt you?

8.3K 112K 445K

James Cummings
@jamescummings

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Replying to @netflix

Wow. This has just convinced me never to get netflix! This is irresponsible and hurtful use of customer data, or if fabricated promoting distrust in Netflix. It *should* violate your social media policy, if it doesn't you should revise it.

3:21 PM - 12 Dec 2017

King-Salamander 43.1k points · 9 months ago 2 · *edited 9 months ago*

A little late, so this might get buried. But one summer I was going through an episode of depression and I wasn't working as I was on break from college and waiting until I moved back to my college town to start again. I ended up doing nothing but watching Netflix, and after I finished the office in something like 5 - 10 days, I don't quite remember, I received an email from Netflix asking if I was okay. They had noticed that I had my account running non-stop for over a week and they wanted to check on me and make sure I was doing well since my viewing activities became so much more frequent than they used to be. Honestly made me feel better just knowing that someone, even a stranger working at a customer support agency, cared about my mental health.

EDIT: I went to bed last night thinking I would wake up to maybe one upvote. wow. I'm glad that my story seemed to resonate with so many people. Just want to answer a couple things since it's finals week and I don't have time to respond to every question.

I can't show you guys the email. It was from three and a half years ago. My account at that time was tied to my student email for the community college I was attending and I have since switched it to my personal email. I don't have access to my old inbox anymore to go back and find it. I'm sorry if you don't believe me, but it's okay if you don't.

I'm doing a lot better now! I'll always suffer from depression, as it's a mental illness, but I've learned that it's not about trying to defeat the monster it's about learning how to live with it. What's that line at the end of Bojack season 2? "Everyday it gets a little easier, but you gotta do it everyday. That's the hard part. But it does get easier."

Finally, I'm not a Netflix shill. I am a barista with $0.78 cents in my checking account. If I worked for Netflix I'd be making more money than that. In fact, since Futurama moved to Hulu I actually use that service more than any other. That being said, if anyone from Netflix *wanted* to hire me, send me a message. I graduate in a year.

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Fastest viral videos as of May 2018, based on number of views in 24 hours after upload (in millions)

Facebook exec: media firms that don't work with us will end up 'in hospice'

Campbell Brown, head of news partnerships, tells publishers that without Facebook's help their businesses will die

▲ 'We will help you revitalise journalism ... in a few years, the reverse looks like I'll be holding your hands with your dying business like in a hospice,' Campbell Brown said. Photograph: Regis Duvignau/Reuters

Buzzsumo

Most Viral Facebook Posts of 2017

Post	Type	FB Interactions
Get clever with your clutter...7 organization hacks!	Video - Practical Tips	15.6m
Best Video You Will See	Video Animals Heartwarming	13.8m
People Are Awesome	Video Amazing & Inspiring	12.2m
	Music Video Inspiring	10m
	Video Practical Tips	8.6m
	Video Practical Tips Clothing	8.6m
	Video Practical Tips Clothing	7.6m
	Video Food	7m
	Video Cute Animal Panda Heartwarming	6.2m
	Video Food Practical tips	6.1m
	Image Spanish Tribal Football	5.6m
	Food Recipes Spanish	5.3m

Why Facebook is losing the war on hate speech in Myanmar

Reuters found more than 1,000 examples of posts, comments and pornographic images attacking the Rohingya and other Muslims on Facebook. A secretive operation set up by the social media giant to combat the hate speech is failing to end the problem.

By STEVE STECKLOW | Filed Aug. 15, 2018, 3 p.m. GMT

Tech Companies Are Destroying Democracy and the Free Press

Ad revenue that used to support journalism is now captured by Google and Facebook, and some of that money supports and spreads fake news.

By Matt Stoller

Mr. Stoller is the author of "Goliath: The Hundred Year War Between Monopoly Power and Democracy."

Oct. 17, 2019

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THE INTERPRETER

Facebook Fueled Anti-Refugee Attacks in Germany, New Research Suggests

By Amanda Taub and Max Fisher

Aug. 21, 2018

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Hate Crimes Spiked After Trump's Anti-Muslim Tweets, Study Finds

Though researchers don't blame the president for inciting violence, they found a clear correlation between what he said and subsequent attacks.

Kelly Weill 05.14.18 7:03 PM ET

India WhatsApp 'child kidnap' rumours claim two more victims

11 June 2018

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Rumours of child kidnappings are spreading across India over WhatsApp, and have already led to the deaths of seven other people in the past month.

Police say it is proving hard to debunk the messages on social media.

Original Articles

Mapping the anti-vaccination movement on Facebook

Naomi Smith & Tim Graham

Received 05 Jan 2017, Accepted 13 Dec 2017, Published online: 27 Dec 2017

This suggests that social media may have a role in spreading anti-vaccination ideas and making the movement durable on a global scale.

REPORT

The spread of true and false news online

Soroush Vosoughi[1], Deb Roy[1], Sinan Aral[2,*]

Abstract

We investigated the differential diffusion of all of the verified true and false news stories distributed on Twitter from 2006 to 2017. The data comprise ~126,000 stories tweeted by ~3 million people more than 4.5 million times. We classified news as true or false using information from six independent fact-checking organizations that exhibited 95 to 98% agreement on the classifications. Falsehood diffused significantly farther, faster, deeper, and more broadly than the truth in all categories of information, and the effects were more pronounced for false political news than for false news about terrorism, natural disasters, science, urban legends, or financial information. We found that false news was more novel than true news, which suggests that people were more likely to share novel information. Whereas false stories inspired fear, disgust, and surprise in replies, true stories inspired anticipation, sadness, joy, and trust. Contrary to conventional wisdom, robots accelerated the spread of true and false news at the same rate, implying that false news spreads more than the truth because humans, not robots, are more likely to spread it.

Jack Dorsey says he's rethinking the core of how Twitter works

By Tony Romm, Elizabeth Dwoskin
August 15, 2018 at 4:28 PM

Twitter chief executive Jack Dorsey said he is rethinking core parts of the social media platform so it doesn't enable the spread of hate speech, harassment and false news, including conspiracy theories shared by prominent users like Alex Jones and Infowars.

Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg calls for more regulation of the internet

By Jackie Wattles and Donie O'Sullivan, CNN

Researchers say Facebook's anti-fake news efforts might be working

Engagements with fake news could be declining on the site.

Mallory Locklear, @mallorylocklear
13h ago in Internet

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WEB APPS MOBILE

Reddit CEO says it's 'impossible' to consistently enforce hate speech rules

A leaked discussion reveals the difficult problem of training AI to detect and define slurs

By Shoshana Wodinsky | Jul 9, 2018, 6:29pm EDT

The basic problem is that web 2.0 tools are not supportive of democracy by design. They are tools designed to gather spy-agency-like data in a seductive way, first and foremost, but as a side effect they tend to provide software support for mob-like phenomena.

Jaron Lanier

Facebook has never been merely a social platform. Rather, it exploits our social interactions the way a Tupperware party does. Facebook does not exist to help us make friends, but to turn our network of connections, brand preferences, and activities over time — our "social graphs" — into a commodity for others to exploit.

Douglas Rushkoff

Move fast and break things. Unless you are breaking stuff, you are not moving fast enough.

Mark Zuckerberg

Trade With Your Parking Spots Or Find A Parking Spot With Just One App

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Google Employees Protest Secret Work on Censored Search Engine for China

Technology

Google Engineers Refused to Build Security Tool to Win Military Contracts

A work boycott from the Group of Nine is yet another hurdle to the company's efforts to compete for sensitive government work.

By Mark Bergen
June 21, 2018, 1:00 PM GMT+3 *Updated on June 21, 2018, 11:09 PM GMT+3*

SENIOR GOOGLE SCIENTIST RESIGNS OVER "FORFEITURE OF OUR VALUES" IN CHINA

Ryan Gallagher
September 13 2018, 7:15 p.m.

Facebook Employees Have Launched Their First Major Protest Against Mark Zuckerberg

As the tech industry transforms into a hotbed of employee dissent, Facebook employees have remained on the sidelines. Are they finally having their moment?

By Lauren Kaori Gurley
29 October 2019, 3:30pm Share Tweet Snap

Hundreds of Facebook employees call on Mark Zuckerberg to change the social network's controversial rules on political ads

Rob Price Oct 28, 2019, 9:02 PM

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> *Write a list of things you would never do. Because it is possible that in the next year, you will do them.* —Sarah Kendzior [1]

Our pledge

We, the undersigned, are employees of tech organizations and companies based in the United States. We are engineers, designers, business executives, and others whose jobs include managing or processing data about people. We are choosing to stand in solidarity with Muslim Americans, immigrants, and all people whose lives and livelihoods are threatened by the incoming administration's proposed data collection policies. We refuse to build a database of people based on their Constitutionally-protected religious beliefs. We refuse to facilitate mass deportations of people the government believes to be undesirable.

Making an Ethical Decision

A practical tool for thinking through tough choices

from

Markkula Center for Applied Ethics

Thank you!

Rotem Hermon

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